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GOCCP Awards \$1,521,578 for Juvenile Accountability Programs

Goal Is To Reduce Recidivism and Return Youthful Offenders to their Communities

The Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention today announced that 24 law enforcement and social service agencies have received a total of **\$1,521,578** under the federal Juvenile Accountability Block Grant Program.

The program is designed to support activities in Maryland that promote accountability among juveniles for their acts. They are also used to conduct risk and needs assessments to address questions of public safety and the return of juvenile offenders from custody into the community. JABG funds focus on crime prevention, and early intervention.

The following purpose areas have been identified as priorities in 2011.

- Establishing, improving, and coordinating systems and programs before and after their release to help juvenile offenders succeed in their return from state and local custody into the community.
- Establishing and maintaining programs to conduct risk and needs assessments that facilitate effective early interventions and the provision of comprehensive services. These would include mental health screening and treatment and substance abuse testing and treatment.
- Establishing and maintaining accountability-based programs that are designed to reduce recidivism among juveniles who are referred by law enforcement personnel or agencies.

JABG funds can be used for a wide variety of activities, ranging from family counseling and job training to appropriate sanctions for youthful offenders, depending on the offense they have committed. They are all designed to stress accountability and reduce the chances a youth will offend again, so that the youth realize they must be accountable for their actions.

EDITORS: A list is attached of the award recipients and amounts

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APPLICANT NAME	PROJECT TITLE	COUNTY	AWARDS
Robert A. Pascal Youth and Family Services, Inc.	"Go Girls!" - Adolescent Girls Empowerment and Anger Management Program	Anne Arundel	\$58,860
MD Department of Juvenile Services	Community Detention Enhancement Project - Phase II	Baltimore City	43,725
Baltimore City Health Department	Operation Safe Kids Court	Baltimore City	50,000
Living Classroom Foundation	Fresh Start Intensive Wrap-Around Services	Baltimore City	68,699
Community Conferencing Center	Community Conferencing Diversion for Young Offenders in Baltimore City	Baltimore City	81,120
MD Department of Juvenile Services	The Pre-Adjudicated Coordination and Training (PACT) Evening Reporting Center Girls Expansion	Baltimore City	88,031
Baltimore County, Maryland	Respondent Notification Caller Project	Baltimore County	31,039
Conflict Resolution Center of Baltimore County, Inc.	Baltimore County Community Conferencing- Service Alignment Project	Baltimore County	55,682
Good Shepherd Center	Occupational Preparation and Transition Age Youth (OPTAY) Program	Baltimore County	82,000
Baltimore County, Maryland	Baltimore County Juvenile Drug Court	Baltimore County	131,965
Carroll County Board of County Commissioners	Adventure Diversion Program	Carroll	55,000
Cecil County Board of County Commissioners	Neighborhood Youth Panel Program Town of Port Deposit	Cecil	12,819
Cecil County Board of County Commissioners	Neighborhood Youth Panel Program Town of Elkton/Town of North East	Cecil	32,945
Project Crossroad	Advance	Cecil	47,630
Charles County Government	Charles County Drug and Teen Court Program	Charles	12,361
Charles County Government	Charles County Juvenile Drug Court Program	Charles	21,000
Community Alternative Mediation, Inc. dba CALM	Restorative Conflict Resolutions for at-risk youth and families	Frederick	36,960
Garrett County Partnership for Children & Families, Inc.	Garrett County Juvenile Review Board	Garrett	14,729
Conflict Resolution Center of Montgomery County, Inc.	Community Conferencing Initiative	Montgomery	64,950
Montgomery County Collaboration Council for Children, Youth & Families	Targeted Intervention and Prevention Program for at-risk youth (TIPP)	Montgomery	144,000
Mount Rainier Police Department	Mount Rainier Streetcorps	Prince George's	50,630

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City of District Heights	Children In Need of Supervision (CINS) Program	Prince George's	150,000
Queen Anne's County Community Partnerships for Children and Families	CASASTART Intervention Project - JABG - Queen Anne's County	Queen Anne's	75,449
Somerset County Local Management Board	"K" is for College	Somerset	111,984
Total			1,521,578

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